

PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicant : Hiroaki KITAMOTO
 For : CAPPING METHOD AND APPARATUS
 Atty. Docket No.: Kanzaki Case 161
 Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT CANCELING CLAIMS

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee in the above-identified application, kindly enter the following:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 5 and 6 as follows.

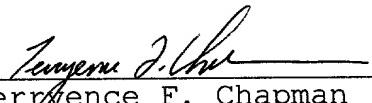
Claim 5, line 1; change "one of Claims 1 to 4" to
 ---Claim 1---.

Claim 6, line 1; change "one of Claims 1 to 4" to
 ---Claim 1---.

REMARKS

This amendment cancels claims to reduce the filing fee.
 Please enter this amendment before calculating the filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,



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Encl: None

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